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Application No.: 09/299,965

Group Art Unit: 1733

Filed: April 26, 1999

Examiner: J. Aftergut

Title: CURABLE MECHANICAL FASTENERS

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. Submission required under 37 CFR § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
 - i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered)
 - ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
 - iii. ☐ Other
- b. ☒ Enclosed
 - i. ☒ Amendment (7 pgs.)
 - ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/Supplemental IDS
 - iv. ☐ Other

2. ☐ A Request for Extension of Time is being filed concurrently.

3. Fees (The RCE fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.)

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees or credit any overpayments to:
Deposit Account No. 13-3723. A duplicate copy of this letter for fees processing is enclosed.
 - i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR § 1.17(e)
 - ii. ☐ Other

Respectfully submitted,

August 9, 2005
Date

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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Answer mailed June 9, 2005, please
amend the above-identified application as follows:

This Amendment is believed to be timely submitted. It is believed that
no fee is due; however, in the event a fee is required, please charge the fee to Deposit
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